# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# TOURISM
# LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:305
ANSWERED ON:06.12.2007
MAJOR TOURIST SPOTS
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**Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:**

(a) the position-wise details of the major tourist spots in the country which attracted the largest number of foreign tourists in each of the last three years;

(b) the details of the names of the countries from where the tourists had arrived;

(c) the State-wise and tourist spot-wise details of assistance provided by the Union Government during each of the last three years for development of these tourist spots; and

(d) the percentage of the share of tourism sector out of the total foreign exchange earned by the country?

## Answer

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM AND CULTURE (SMT. AMBIKA SONI)

(a), (b), (c) and (d): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

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(a) and (b): In the present system of compilation of tourism statistics, tourist-spot-wise visit figures for foreign tourists are not maintained by the Government. However, the details of foreign tourist arrivals in India from different countries during 2004, 2005 and 2006 are given in Annexure-I.

(c): The State-wise details of number of projects sanctioned and the amount released during 2004-05, 2005-06 and 2006-07 for development of tourism are given in Annexure-II.

(d): The foreign exchange earned through tourism in the country contributed about 3.37%, 3.06% and 2.80% respectively out of the total foreign exchange received in the country during 2004, 2005 and 2006.

ANNEXURE-I

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) & (b) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 305 ANSWERED ON 06.12.2007 REGARDING MAJOR TOURIST SPOTS.

| Country of Nationality | Foreign Tourist Arrivals in India 2004 | 2005 | 2006 |
|---|---|---|---|
| North America | | | |
| Canada | 135884 | 157643 | 176567 |
| U.S.A | 526120 | 611165 | 696739 |
| Total | 662004 | 768808 | 873306 |
| Central & South America | | | |
| Argentina | 2799 | 3313 | 4493 |
| Brazil | 7397 | 7005 | 9148 |
| Mexico | 4570 | 5398 | 6502 |
| Others | 16198 | 19870 | 18602 |
| Total | 28165 | 35586 | 38745 |
| Western Europe | | | |
| Austria | 21093 | 27187 | 28045 |

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| Belgium | 24007 | 25596 | 29156 |
| Denmark | 15805 | 20170 | 21592 |
| Finland | 12525 | 16258 | 22860 |
| France | 131824 | 152258 | 175345 |
| Germany | 116679 | 120243 | 156808 |
| Greece | 4468 | 4793 | 5146 |
| Ireland | 8996 | 10052 | 14936 |
| Italy | 65561 | 67642 | 79978 |
| Netherlands | 51211 | 52755 | 58611 |
| Norway | 10631 | 11194 | 14216 |
| Portugal | 10648 | 11457 | 13108 |
| Spain | 42895 | 45247 | 53520 |
| Sweden | 26154 | 28799 | 36013 |
| Switzerland | 28260 | 34311 | 37446 |
| U.K. | 555907 | 651083 | 734240 |
| Others | 1633 | 3074 | 6251 |
| Total | 1128297 | 1282119 | 1487271 |

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| Eastern Europe | | | |
| Czechoslovakia | 4114 | 4783 | 5760 |
| Poland | 8445 | 10983 | 14808 |
| C.I.S. | 61187 | 75242 | 87433 |
| Others | 8680 | 10437 | 13308 |
| Total | 82426 | 101445 | 121309 |

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| Africa | | | |
| Egypt | 3781 | 4048 | 5528 |
| Kenya | 17538 | 19816 | 20313 |
| Mauritius | 19823 | 19760 | 20607 |
| Nigeria | 6659 | 10049 | 9348 |
| South Africa | 32148 | 39229 | 41954 |
| Tanzania | 9953 | 11193 | 11954 |
| Others | 25591 | 30706 | 33109 |
| Total | 115493 | 134801 | 142813 |

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| West Asia | | | |
| Bahrain | 4414 | 4923 | 4793 |
| Israel | 39083 | 42866 | 42735 |
| Oman | 14927 | 14979 | 17849 |
| Saudi Arabia | 11929 | 12444 | 14006 |
| Turkey | 7008 | 7906 | 10221 |
| U.A.E. | 22668 | 24560 | 27593 |
| Yemen Arab Rep. | 8826 | 9423 | 9573 |
| Others | 13953 | 16720 | 19923 |
| Total | 122808 | 133821 | 146693 |

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| South Asia | | | |
| Afghanistan | 12705 | 14025 | 18799 |
| Iran | 24733 | 28691 | 29771 |
| Maldives | 21099 | 33915 | 37652 |
| Nepal | 51534 | 77024 | 91552 |
| Pakistan | 67416 | 88609 | 83426 |
| Bangladesh | 477446 | 456371 | 484401 |
| Sri Lanka | 128711 | 136400 | 154813 |
| Bhutan | 7054 | 6934 | 8502 |
| Total | 790698 | 841969 | 908916 |

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| South East Asia | | | |
| Indonesia | 11408 | 12640 | 16990 |
| Malaysia | 84390 | 96276 | 107286 |
| Myanmar | 4932 | 5652 | 7734 |
| Philippines | 10492 | 11422 | 15644 |
| Singapore | 60710 | 68666 | 82574 |
| Thailand | 33442 | 41978 | 46623 |
| Others | 3736 | 4774 | 4875 |
| Total | 209110 | 241408 | 281726 |

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| East Asia | | | |
| China(Main) | 34100 | 44897 | 62330 |
| China(Taiwan) | 18179 | 18894 | 26503 |
| Japan | 96851 | 103082 | 119292 |
| Korea(South) | 47835 | 49895 | 70407 |
| Others | 4662 | 6799 | 4453 |

Total 201627 223567 282985

Australasia
Australia 81608 96258 109867
New Zealand 16762 20463 23493
Others 2574 3057 4076
Total 100944 119778 137436
Others 14471 21818 25320
Stateless 1434 13490 647

Grand Total 3457477 3918610 4447167

ANNEXURE-II

STATEMENT IN REPLY TO PART (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 305 ANSWERED ON 06.12.2007 REGARDING MAJOR TOURIST SPOTS

(Rs. in lakhs)

| S.No. | State/UT | 2004-05 No of Projects Sancd. | 2004-05 Amount Released Sancd. | 2005-06 No of Projects Sancd. | 2005-06 Amount Released Sancd. | 2006-07 No of Projects Sancd. | 2006-07 Amount Released |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | Andhra Pradesh | 16 | 2240.68 | 7 | 1700.00 | 3 | 1195.44 |
| 2 | Assam | 8 | 766.22 | 10 | 1698.45 | 9 | 1813.21 |
| 3 | Arunachal Pradesh | 9 | 927.96 | 10 | 1655.21 | 12 | 1497.24 |
| 4 | Bihar | 7 | 1527.71 | 3 | 722.49 | 2 | 974.59 |
| 5 | Chattisgarh | 6 | 897.93 | 7 | 1436.54 | 16 | 2491.12 |
| 6 | Goa | 3 | 38.00 | 1 | 8.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 7 | Gujarat | 2 | 111.14 | 5 | 1169.04 | 7 | 359.51 |
| 8 | Haryana | 6 | 513.64 | 7 | 515.77 | 5 | 902.39 |
| 9 | Himachal Pradesh | 12 | 2161.00 | 6 | 921.00 | 8 | 1226.13 |
| 10 | J&K | 5 | 699.04 | 22 | 5320.31 | 29 | 3392.90 |
| 11 | Jharkhand | 2 | 756.72 | 5 | 697.76 | 3 | 769.99 |
| 12 | Karnataka | 12 | 1937.37 | 8 | 1001.21 | 4 | 1081.81 |
| 13 | Kerala | 10 | 1820.33 | 13 | 3889.90 | 18 | 3441.61 |
| 14 | Madhya Pradesh | 11 | 942.21 | 12 | 2419.54 | 10 | 2797.75 |
| 15 | Maharashtra | 10 | 925.30 | 9 | 1662.99 | 13 | 2278.46 |
| 16 | Manipur | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 39.84 | 9 | 649.48 |
| 17 | Meghalaya | 2 | 807.91 | 1 | 4.00 | 9 | 1149.93 |
| 18 | Mizoram | 6 | 382.38 | 10 | 1687.29 | 9 | 2044.80 |
| 19 | Nagaland | 7 | 1413.40 | 9 | 1873.17 | 8 | 1862.51 |
| 20 | Orissa | 8 | 1059.38 | 10 | 1586.44 | 13 | 1974.66 |
| 21 | Punjab | 7 | 581.47 | 5 | 1150.13 | 13 | 1968.68 |
| 22 | Rajasthan | 13 | 1375.07 | 7 | 2086.40 | 8 | 763.06 |
| 23 | Sikkim | 8 | 531.33 | 14 | 2213.74 | 13 | 1647.77 |
| 24 | Tamil Nadu | 7 | 705.83 | 19 | 3007.68 | 11 | 1496.87 |
| 25 | Tripura | 1 | 16.00 | 3 | 569.43 | 4 | 96.01 |
| 26 | Uttaranchal | 7 | 1750.73 | 13 | 2193.18 | 16 | 1434.34 |
| 27 | Uttar Pradesh | 9 | 831.19 | 18 | 3126.03 | 7 | 2663.24 |
| 28 | West Bengal | 10 | 407.43 | 5 | 792.48 | 10 | 2195.35 |
| 29 | Andaman & Nicobar | 0 | 0.00 | 1 | 5.00 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 30 | Chandigarh | 3 | 373.60 | 1 | 13.70 | 2 | 14.00 |
| 31 | Dadar & Nagar Haveli | 0 | 0.00 | 2 | 25.92 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 32 | Delhi | 8 | 511.00 | 2 | 17.00 | 5 | 1209.54 |
| 33 | Daman & Diu | 0 | 0.00 | 4 | 208.61 | 0 | 0.00 |
| 34 | Lakshadweep | 0 | 0.00 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5.60 |
| 35 | Pondicherry | 2 | 360.00 | 2 | 375.51 | 1 | 400.00 |
| | Total | 217 | 27371.97 | 253 | 45793.76 | 278 | 45797.99 |

Note-This includes the projects relating to Circuits, Destinations, Large Revenue Generating Projects, Rural Tourism (Software and Hardware), IT, Events, Fairs & Festivals, etc.